Sri S. R. KANTHI.—These appointments are not made on regional basis. But in any case, I may mention to satisfy my Hon'ble friend that Mr. Malimath comes from Bombay Karnatak area.

Sri B. B. SAYANAK.—May I know how many cases he has independently conducted ?

Sri S. R. KANTHI.—If the Hon'ble Member puts this as a separate question, I can answer it.

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN.—Is it not a fact that there were a number of able advocates with more standing than Mr. Malimath in our State ? Is it not a fact that Mr. Malimath has been appointed as a reward for the work that has been done by his father in respect of the Border Commission ?

Sri S. R. KANTHI.—This is an uncharitable interpretation. We have advocates senior to Mr. Malimath. But we considered his competency. He is as competent as any of the best advocates in our State.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER.—Short Notice questions are over.

QUESTION FOR ANSWER ON THE DAY

(but not taken up)

Land Revenue and Surcharge Thereon.

80. Sri SIRDESAI NILKANTRAO BHAGWANTRAO (Khanapur).—

Will the Minister for Revenue and Forests be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the collection of increased Land Revenue and Surcharge thereon would be suspended till the decision of the Government on the abolition of land revenue is taken ;

(*b*) whether they are aware that Land Revenue and Surcharge are recovered at the increased rates in the Malnad area like Khanapur Taluk ?

A.—Sri B. RACHAIAH (Minister for Revenue and Forests).—

(*a*) No. Surcharge is not levied on the Land Revenue due for the year 1967-68.

(*b*) Land Revenue according to the revised Settlement rates and arrears of Surcharge for 1966-67 if due, at 33⅓ per cent thereon under the Mysore Land Revenue (Temporary Surcharge) Act, 1966, is being collected in Khanapur Taluk and other parts of the State.